

## SecondaryWorld Languages **Reading** Activities

*As a team, we recognize that all scholars have different technology access and needs. We also want to make sure you can engage in learning in a way that you enjoy and grow from. As such, we have created a choice board for each language skill. Each skill has options both with and without technology use.*

Categories	Check activities completed
<b>Reading</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Book summary <input type="checkbox"/> Book review <input type="checkbox"/> Blog summary <input type="checkbox"/> Recipe image and description <input type="checkbox"/> News summary <input type="checkbox"/> Social media translations

### **Reading:**

- Write a well-developed paragraph summary of the gist of the book in English or in the target language. Include title, author, and source (online or in print).
- Write a one well-developed paragraph book review in your target language (what did you like and dislike about it, what would you rate it, etc.). Include title, author, and source (online or in print).
- Read a blog in the target language about how the blogger celebrates something. (Write a well-developed paragraph summary in the language and make a comparison to something similar in the US.)
- Find a language recipe online. Make the recipe and try it! (Take a picture of what you make. Below the picture, describe whether or not you liked it in your language.)
- Read the news in your target language . Write a paragraph summary about it in English or in the target language. Include the news source in your summary.)
- Follow a (your target language)-speaking celebrity on Twitter, Facebook, etc. and read their posts. (Include a list of the posts in your language and a translation of what they mean.)

## Supplementary resources for practicing language

Please use parental guidance and discretion for level age appropriateness when selecting the resources.

### Spanish

- <http://www.wordreference.com/> (great for English-Spanish and includes word use)
- <http://dle.rae.es/?w=diccionario> (this is the official Spanish dictionary and is great for more advanced Spanish practice and synonyms)
- <https://newsinlowspanish.com/>
- <http://www.practicaespanol.com/noticias-en-practica-espanol>
- <https://peopleenespanol.com/>
- <https://lingua.com/es/espanol/lectura/> (reading practice)
- <http://spanishlistening.org/> (listening practice)
- <https://www.digitaldialects.com/Spanish.htm> (basic vocab games)
- <http://www.onlinefreespanish.com/> (basic vocab games)
- <http://www.hello-world.com/Spanish/index.php> (basic vocab games)
- [http://www.123teachme.com/learn\\_spanish/fun\\_and\\_games](http://www.123teachme.com/learn_spanish/fun_and_games) (basic vocab games)
- <https://studyspanish.com/> (includes tutorials)
- <https://www.learnpracticalspanishonline.com/> (includes many stories and ebooks)
- Radio stations in Spanish (online)
- Disney Plus, Netflix, Hulu, etc have MANY movies and shows in Spanish and other languages. Most Disney and Pixar DVDs also have the option to have the sound and subtitles in Spanish. To watch [shows in the target language](#) on Netflix, [Flixable](#) can help you [find films on Netflix in specific languages](#). Use parental guidance and discretion to choose age-appropriate videos.
- Free trial account on “This Is Language” <https://www.thisislanguage.com/affected-by-coronavirus>
- The Fable Cottage <https://www.thefablecottage.com/spanish>
- Free online lessons and children’s stories with audio [TheSpanishExperiment.org](http://TheSpanishExperiment.org)
- More resources on [falkspanish.weebly.com](http://falkspanish.weebly.com) as well, including song playlists
- Practice conjugating Spanish verbs <https://conjuguemos.com/activities/spanish/verb/1>

### Chinese

- <http://cctv.cntv.cn/lm/learningchinese/01/index.shtml>

- <http://popupchinese.com>
- <http://justlearnchinese.com/mini-novels/>
- <http://thechairmansbao.com>
- <http://decipherchinese.com>
- <http://www.duchinese.net/lessons>
- <https://www.hackingchinese.com/>
- <http://www.hellochinese.cc/>
- <https://www.podbean.com/podcast-detail/9i6zp-33922/Slow-Chinese-Podcast>
- [learnchinesewithemma - YouTube](#)
- <https://www.gameslearnchinese.com/game/>
- <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyjt7eK61nPUXHngZ3B-i7Q>
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## Japanese

- <https://a2-2.marugotoweb.jp/en/conversation/>
- <https://www.erin.ne.jp/jp/>
- <https://app.erin.ne.jp/index.html> (App. that you can download)
- <https://web-japan.org/kidsweb/>
- <https://kansai.jpf.go.jp/en/news/2016/11/new-iphone-android-app-kanji-memory-hint1english-version-released-study-kanji-the-fun-way-using-mnem.html>
- <https://www.marugoto.org/en/index.html>
- <https://web-japan.org/>
- <https://minato-jf.jp/>
- <https://hirogaru-nihongo.jp/>
- <https://www.jpf.go.jp/jft-basic/e/index.html>
- <https://www.jpf.go.jp/e/project/japanese/education/network/index.html>
- [https://www.jpf.go.jp/e/project/culture/media/supportlist\\_media/index.html](https://www.jpf.go.jp/e/project/culture/media/supportlist_media/index.html)
- <https://www.japanesetease.net/easy-to-read-manga-for-japanese-beginners-vol-01/>
- <http://easyjapanese.org/>
- <https://www.wochikochi.jp/english/>
- <http://www.jlpt.jp/e/index.html>

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- List of sources for [Japanese reading](#) practice at all levels

## French

- *Stories and Lessons*
  - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hd0\\_GZHHWeE&list=PLV1-QgpUU7N3ZGbRMIrV24FCuvZoMt4xw](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hd0_GZHHWeE&list=PLV1-QgpUU7N3ZGbRMIrV24FCuvZoMt4xw) Learn French with Alexa
  - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCbc9Utt1c6UXRqWw2IOTCBg> Alice Ayel
  - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1JjPxH-Cca4> How to learn French? (Comment apprendre le français?)
  - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCQpM25U6iqaRSO-SZxd5oDw> Français Authentique
  - [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-Sfv8M\\_UJHkfUJO0cQlZgw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC-Sfv8M_UJHkfUJO0cQlZgw) Français Mount Vernon High
  - <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCehPIxFz7isa2kYu1R4v6gw> Yannick Sayer
- *News sources:* [Daily@newsinfrench.org](mailto:Daily@newsinfrench.org) and [www.parismatch.com](http://www.parismatch.com) and [www.1jour1actu.com](http://www.1jour1actu.com)
- *Radio:* AM 800 (Talk Radio in French), NRJ (French music streaming)
- *Games*
  - [www.freerice.com/categories](http://www.freerice.com/categories) (Find Language Learning and select French)
  - [www.digitaldialects.com/French.htm](http://www.digitaldialects.com/French.htm)
  - [www.lexisrex.com](http://www.lexisrex.com) (Select French)
- *Blogs and Podcasts*
  - <https://www.fluentu.com/blog/french/french-blogs/>
  - <https://www.podcastfrançaisfacile.com/podcast/se-diriger-en-ville.html>
- *Top 7 French Films for French as a Foreign Language Students:* <https://fandefile.com/2015/06/15/top-7-des-films-francais-a-voir-en-classe-de-file/>
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- The Fable Cottage <https://www.thefablecottage.com/french>
- Free online lessons and children’s stories with audio [TheFrenchExperiment.com](http://TheFrenchExperiment.com)
- Practice conjugating French verbs <https://conjugemos.com/activities/french/verb/1>

## Latin

- Latin Reading Practice by Magister P.’s class

- [Fābulae - Parallel](#)
- [Class Stories](#)
- Review most common words: [Magister P's Top 100 Latin Words](#)
- UVic Latin exercises online <https://web.uvic.ca/hrd/latin/wheelock/>
- Cornell College's list of Latin links [https://www.cornellcollege.edu/classical\\_studies/latin/latin-links.shtml](https://www.cornellcollege.edu/classical_studies/latin/latin-links.shtml)
- Practice conjugating Latin verbs <https://conjuguemos.com/activities/latin/verb/1>

## German

- German Children's Stories with Audio <https://www.thegermanproject.com/stories>
- Free Online German Lessons <https://www.thegermanproject.com/german-lessons>
- Free trial account on "This Is Language" <https://www.thisislanguage.com/affected-by-coronavirus>
- Free podcasts with [Coffee Break German](#)
- German news: <https://www.nachrichtenleicht.de/>
- German news for kids: <https://www.zdf.de/kinder/logo>
- Free news online podcasts: [News in Slow German](#)
- BBC German Learning Resources: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/languages/german/>
- To watch [shows in the target language](#) on Netflix, [Flixable](#) can help you [find films on Netflix in specific languages](#). Use parental guidance and discretion to choose age-appropriate videos.
- The Fable Cottage <https://www.thefablecottage.com/german>
- Practice conjugating German verbs <https://conjuguemos.com/activities/german/verb/1>

## Russian

- Language Learning:
  - RussNet: <http://www.russnet.org>
  - Russian lessons: <http://www.russianlessons.net/>
  - Master Russian: <http://masterrussian.com/>

- <http://luchsveta.org/index.php/2017/05/> Russian language practice. Learn authentic Russian and get a glimpse into contemporary Russian life with compelling news-related video clips.
- <https://quizlet.com/147366184/russian-flash-cards/> Flash Cards from Quizlet
- To watch [shows in the target language](#) on Netflix, [Flixable](#) can help you [find films on Netflix in specific languages](#). Use parental guidance and discretion to choose age-appropriate videos.
- [http://russiancinema.wikia.com/wiki/RussianCinema\\_Wiki](http://russiancinema.wikia.com/wiki/RussianCinema_Wiki) This is a collaborative community website that anyone can edit. The site provides a listing of Russian films online that are non-pirated, legitimate Russian films online with English subtitles for pedagogical purposes. Use parental guidance and discretion to choose age-appropriate videos.

### **Authentic Russian Materials:**

#### Online films:

- Mosfilm Free Online video collection: <http://www.cinema.mosfilm.ru/MainPage.aspx?gmt=240>
- Киноконцерн “Мосфильм” <http://www.youtube.com/mosfilm>
- Online Russian television: СТС: <http://ctc.ru/>
- Онлайн ТВ: <http://ru.2onlinetv.com/>
- Русское телевидение онлайн: <http://www.smotritv.com/>

#### Cartoons:

- Мультфильмы онлайн <http://multos.ru/>
- Мульт-онлайн <http://mult-online.ru/>

#### Online music:

- Rumvi: Russian Digital Content <http://www.rumvi.com> - streaming albums (all genres) and audiobooks/digital books for sale (includes children’s books).

Online libraries: Большая бесплатная библиотека <http://tululu.ru/>

#### Online news:

- Lenta.ru <http://lenta.ru>
- NEWSru <http://www.newsru.com>
- Новости Америки <http://www.americaru.com>
- Новости@Mail.Ru <http://news.mail.ru>
- РИА Новости <http://ria.ru>

#### Russian Websites for children:

- Теремок <http://www.teremoc.ru/>
- Educational games for children (various content areas): <http://flashgamespot.com/ru/play-freeonline/educational/flash-games/>
- Детские флэш игры онлайн (Раздел Образовательные): <http://detskie-igry.com/theme/edu/>
- Потомур (children’s encyclopedia) <http://potomy.ru/world/>
- Claw.ru: Детская энциклопедия <http://children.claw.ru/>

- Детские сказки <http://storybook.ru/>
- 1001 сказка <http://1001skazka.com/>

Russian Websites of possible interest for teenagers:

- Music: MTV.ru <http://www.mtv.ru/>
- Movies:
  - Russia's Top Five Movies: [http://www.sras.org/russia\\_top\\_movies\\_oct\\_2012](http://www.sras.org/russia_top_movies_oct_2012) (note: this URL is for October 2012; the navigation bar on the left will give you the link to other months).
  - Movie news: <http://lenta.ru/kino/>
- Shopping:
  - ГУМ Москва <http://www.gum.ru/>
  - Большой гостиный двор – Санкт Петербург <http://bgd.ru/>
  - Птичий рынок <http://zootorg.com/>

Computer games:

- [Emu Games](#)
- GameLeader <http://www.game-leader.ru/>
- Russian food: Готовим Дома <http://gotovim-doma.ru/>
- RussianTable.com <http://russiantable.com>
- Podcasts: RusPod:  
<http://freelanguage.org/learn-russian/russianpod101-learn-russian-quickly-online-and-mobilewith-audio-video-lessons-apps-fun-exercises>
- Говори по-русски: <http://govoriporuski.com/>

Tongue-twisters: Russian tongue twisters <http://www.uebersetzung.at/twister/ru.htm>

### Reference material:

Dictionaries: Online commercial dictionaries – (русско-английский /англо-русский)

- Rustran <http://www.rustran.com/>
- Word Reference <http://www.wordreference.com/enru/>
- Reverso <http://dictionary.reverso.net/english-russian/>

Online grammar guides:

- An Interactive Online Reference Grammar: <http://www.alphadictionary.com/rusgrammar/>
- Rockin' Russian <http://coerll.utexas.edu/rr/index.html>